

# **The Town of Edgewood**

## **Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting**

Town of Edgewood Community Center

6:30 pm. Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

### **Minutes**

**Members:** Loretta Olson, Bethe Orell, Paul McClure, Roger Alink, Chris Meuli

**P&R Program Manager:** Roger Holden

1. **Call to Order:** Chris called the meeting to order at 6:34
2. **Public Comment:** Sue West congratulated the committee on all the work being done. Chris thanked the public for attending and participating.
3. **Approve Agenda of January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008.** Roger H made a motion to move the Public Comments to *before* Old Business, *after* Old Business and again *after* New Business; Loretta seconded; motion passed. Roger A made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; Bethe seconded; motion passed.
4. **Approve Minutes of December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007:** Roger made a motion to approve the minutes; Paul seconded; motion passed.
5. **Old Business, Reports:**
  - A. **Leave No New Mexico Child Inside - Resolution**
    - \* Roger A shared the positive influence outside recreation has on children.
  - B. **Events:**
    - \* **COW Awards:**

Nominations due January 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Ceremony is February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at Edgewood Middle School
    - \* **Route 66 Run Rally Rock Town Celebrations:**
      - \* August 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008
      - \* Juried Art Show, Parade, Sock Hop, Harvest Festival, 5K pronghorn Run, 1 mile walk, Pancake Breakfast.
      - \* The theme for the 2008 parade will be "*New Mexico Territory*"
    - \* **Wind Festival & Green Energy Fair - May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**
      - \* Kids Safety Fair will also be included in event.
  - C. **Trails, Open Space & Parks:**
    - \* **Field Their Dreams - Athletic Fields.**

Actively lobbying for funds. The Governor has promised matching funds. They are starting small and going from there.
    - \* **Dog Park:**

In the works. The utility lines need to be moved and the current owner needs to move a portable building on site.
    - \* **SLO Stewardship Program**

We have full support of the SLO. Roger spoke with the folks at *Friends of the Sandias* and we would like to use their handbook as a guideline.

      - High Desert Riders are ready to volunteer.
      - Roger H has the applications to apply for a Commercial Lease.

When this goes through - no permits are needed.
    - \* **COLTPAC 30 Acre Co-Op Agreement:**

Should be back from the attorney by 1/25/08. Roger H may call a

special meeting to approve and forward on to Council. A survey, Platte, fencing and Master Plan need to be completed.

- **Action Item** for the February Meeting; Establish a COLTPAC 30-acre sub-committee.

\* **BLM Section 34 Fuel Reduction Program.**

No response yet. Waiting on Thinning Project.

\* **P&R Trails and Open Space Ordinance:** On hold.

\* **State Land Office Section 32/29: Poker Draw:**

Should be done by end of February.

Classes and volunteers needed for the wood-chip berms. Dates:

TBD, access is the big issue. Roger H will contact Los Cerritos

HOA and see if we can gain access that way.

\* **Tijeras Canyon Wildlife Safe Passage Coalition Partnership:**

It was suggested that the P&R committee take a tour of the Tijeras Project. They meet the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm.

Maybe set up a tour before one of their meetings. The Project is working; the lights are not.

\* **Highway 344 Trail Discrepancies:**

There is some issues with the current bike trails. The street is in better shape to ride. The current landscaping is edgy and too sharp and the terrain is higher than the trail which will lead to land-slide when it rains.

**D. Community Center lights and cameras**

Two lights and three cameras have been added to State Road 344

\* **Spring Clean-Up Day:** Dates TBD

Public Comment: Will there be a place for Flags to be displayed on the new light poles? Roger H said as of right now there is now Flag holders attached but will work on getting something in place.

**6. New Business, Reports:**

**A. Pocket Parks:** Designated 2-acre parks as Open Space, community gardening, etc. The Town will only mow the area now, may change in the future.

**B. Route 66 Town Trail:** Still a work in progress. Will there physically be enough room for both a walking and equestrian trail. Roger H will walk and measure.

**C. Section 32 Business/Commercial Lease:** Already discussed under #C - SLO Stewardship program.

**D. Integrated Regional Trails Master Plan:** Roger H is still working on this.

**E. Mid-Term Budget Review:** Report was handed out and reviewed. Roger A made a motion to approve to recommend to Council the revised budget; Paul seconded; motion passed.

**7. 2008; Creating a Future of Opportunity.**

Roger H would like us a committee and the community to evaluate:

\* Where are we headed in regards to:

P&R Ordinance, Trails, Road Projects, Open Space in Developments.

\* Trails from COLTPAC 30-acre north to Section 16 - Horton Rd. Will need a survey, easements, etc. - would like to add to budget for next year.

\* What we'd like to see in the near future:

1. Bigger and better events

2. Green energy use throughout Edgewood

3. More Community involvement
4. Educational projects where we would get school-aged children involved with the development of section 32.

**8. Adjournment:** Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 pm; Bethe seconded; motion passed.

**9. The next P&R meeting will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

**Respectfully Submitted:**

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Loretta Olson, Secretary

Chris Meuli, Acting Chairman